



UB Highlights

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News & Events for May 1-15, 2014

Purple Knights Home Athletic Events May 1-15, 2014

Baseball

**May 3 (Sat.), 12 & 3 p.m., Southern New
Hampshire @ West Haven**



Design Exhibition

Thursday, May 1, 4-6 p.m.

A reception opening the exhibition of the work of 2014 graduates of SASD's Graphic Design, Industrial Design, Interior Design, and Master of Professional Studies in Design Management programs will be held in the Schelfhaudt Gallery of the Bernhard Center. The reception is open to the public. For more information call 576-4222 or write to sasd@bridgeport.edu.



Financial Aid Workshop

Thursday, May 1, 6-7 p.m.

Undergraduate students are invited to the 6th floor of Wahlstrom Library for an informative presentation about paying for college. Students will have the opportunity to meet with their financial aid counselor regarding their financial aid packages. Register online or call 203-576-4552. Contact Jessica Crowley, jessicr@bridgeport.edu for more information.



Seaside Shuffle & Fun Run

Saturday, May 3, 9 a.m.

Organized by the Sports Council of the UB College of Chiropractic, a children's fun run, a 1.5-mile community walk, and the Seaside Shuffle 5K race will blast off at the Seaside Park arch. A \$10 entrance fee for the community walk covers brown-bag preparatory lectures and a T-shirt. Proceeds benefit the Council's outreach. To register, or for information, visit <http://seasideshuffle5k.com/3.html>, or email Julie.lockwood4@gmail.com. The 5K Shuffle is a qualifying race for the prestigious 2014 Freihofer's Run for Women (FRFW), in Albany, NY. Top Shuffle winners will be automatically entered in the FRFW.

LATE BUT GREAT

This information arrived too late for the last Highlights issue, but there is still time!

Volunteer for Commencement

Opportunities are available to help at UB's 104th Commencement Ceremony, May 10, in the Arena at Harbor Yard. Contact UB's Office of Special Events, specialevents@bridgeport.edu, by April 25 to sign up.



Calorie Counting Lecture

Wednesday, April 23, 12:15 p.m.

UB Chiropractic Sports Council, in preparation for the Seaside Shuffle community walk on May 3, is offering a brown bag lunch lecture on calorie counting in Chiro Building, Room 100, for those who have registered. See more to the left about the Shuffle.



Konsterlie Solo Show

Friday, April 25, 7p.m.-midnight

SASD Professor and Schelfhaudt Gallery Director Peter Konsterlie will have his first solo show in Brooklyn, "From Here to There," featuring a survey of his painting for the past five years. Get to The Greenpoint Gallery, 390 McGuinness Blvd., Brooklyn, between Dupont and Clay, via subway: G to Greenpoint Avenue; L to Bedford Avenue.



Executive Speaker Series

Monday, April 28, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

The Ernest C. Trefz School of Business presents Julie Vanderblue, president of the Higgins Group and CEO of the Vanderblue Team, speaking on "Successful Marketing Starts with Passion and People," and "How to Embrace the Confidence that Will Launch Your Career," in the Littlefield Recital Hall. Open to the UB community, with guests warmly welcomed. Please register at bridgeport.wufoo.com/forms/register-executive-speaker-series. Light refreshments will be offered.

UB's 104th Commencement

Saturday, May 10, 10 a.m.

Connecticut Governor Dannel P. Malloy will deliver the commencement address and receive an honorary doctorate during graduation exercises at the Webster Bank Arena. During the ceremonies, approximately 1,150 candidates will be awarded graduate and undergraduate degrees from the School of Arts & Sciences, Ernest C. Trefz School of Business, School of Education, School of Engineering, Shintaro Akatsu School of Design, College of Public and International Affairs, and Fones School of Dental Hygiene (undergraduate). In a statement, Governor Malloy said, "The University of Bridgeport is in a transformative period, each year becoming more and more central to the growth of the regional economy while preparing students for 21st-century jobs in fields we are expanding right here in Connecticut. I look forward to continue working with this institution of higher learning to create a talented, well-educated workforce that attracts high-quality employers to our state."



Health Sciences Graduation

Monday, May 12, 2 p.m.

Connecticut Lieutenant Governor Nancy Wyman will address 2014 graduates of UB's Division of Health Sciences at commencement ceremonies in the Bernhard Center. Graduates will receive master's or doctoral degrees from the Acupuncture Institute, College of Chiropractic, College of Naturopathic Medicine, Fones School of Dental Hygiene (master's degrees), Human Nutrition Institute, and Physician Assistant Institute. Lieutenant Governor Wyman is a former x-ray technician who has worked to expand health care access and affordability and has been prominent in fundraising for breast cancer research.



IDEAL Info Sessions

Wednesday, May 14, 6-7 p.m.

Information will be offered on UB's popular adult degree-completion program at the Bridgeport (Wahlstrom Library, first floor, Discovery Pavilion), Waterbury (84 Progress Lane), and Stamford (5 Riverbend Drive) campuses. To register, or for more information, visit www.bridgeport.edu/ideal, or for Bridgeport and Stamford, call 203-576-4800; for Waterbury, call 203-597-9036. Those who are unable to attend the sessions to learn about IDEAL may arrange an appointment with an admissions counselor by emailing idealinfo@bridgeport.edu or calling 203-576-4800.



AWARDS AND HONORS CEREMONIES

The following events are open to the public:

Saturday, May 3, 3-4 p.m.: Master of Professional Studies in Design Management Presentations, Littlefield Recital Hall, Bernhard Center

Friday, May 9, Honors Convocations

1-3 p.m., College of Public and International Affairs, Bernhard Center, Room 110

1:30-3 p.m., School of Arts & Sciences, Littlefield Recital Hall

1:30-3 p.m., Ernest C. Trefz School of Business, and Delta Mu Delta Induction, duPont Tower Room

2-3 p.m., School of Engineering, Bernhard Center, Room 113

3-6 p.m., Alumni and Honors Reception, Schelfhaudt Gallery

3-5 p.m., UPE Ceremony, Bernhard Center, Room 113

4-6 p.m., Fones School of Dental Hygiene Pinning Ceremony, Mertens Theater

Call for Essays

The School of Arts & Sciences is looking for faculty essays on topics that address a general audience in order to encourage the dissemination of ideas, to increase the dialogue between the disciplines, and to support the core curriculum. These essays should be 2,000-5,000 words, should not have been previously published, and should engage a general readership, located somewhere between a personal essay and a semi-formal essay on a topic of general interest, with endnotes when necessary. A small run of 100 saddle-stitched copies designed by SASD Design Service will be printed, to be given to majors and other professors by the author. The essays will also be published in PDF form and made available in the UB repository (where several examples can currently be viewed). Once enough essays are collected, a bound anthology may be assembled and printed. Submissions are open to all UB full-time faculty. Send proposals or completed essays to thecommons@bridgeport.edu.

Correction: Dr. *Gad Selig* is associate dean for business development in the Division of Graduate Studies and Research and director of the Technology Management Department in UB's School of Engineering, not in the Ernest C. Trefz School of Business as erroneously indicated in a previous UB Highlights issue.

UB ACHIEVEMENTS & HONORS

STUDENTS & ALUMNI

ATHLETICS

Brian O'Keefe was named to the ECC Baseball Honor Roll on April 7 and was also honored as the Co-ECAC Division II Pitcher of the Week.

Kelsey Spaziani was ECC Softball Rookie of the Week it was announced on April 14.

Purple Knights Gymnastics captured their sixth consecutive USA Gymnastics Women's Collegiate Team National Championship on April 12. Top finishers for Bridgeport were senior **Melissa Doucette**, on the vault; senior **Lissette La Fex**, on the bars; freshman **Rachel DiCarlo**, on the beam; and junior **Caitlin Perry**, in the floor exercise. The team was honored with citations by the City Council of Bridgeport during its meeting on April 18.

PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT INSTITUTE

Will Bennett, Nora Trachtman, Cynthia Perez, and **Jason Cornelio** represented UB's Physician Assistant Institute in the Connecticut Medical Challenge Bowl April 6 and won overwhelmingly in competition with Yale's and Quinnipiac's PA students. UB's PAI students **Latha Akondatha-Revelka, Patrick Stroth, Cassie Petit** and **Hannah Farrell** also stood out; they were the only presenters of academic posters from their clinical research projects. The "new kids on the block" from UB PAI were awarded a trophy, which will be displayed for the next year at Eleanor Dana Hall. UB's PAI team will compete against 100 other college teams at the National Medical Challenge Bowl, in Boston, on May 25.

ACADEMIC CALENDAR

Undergraduate and Graduate

Friday, May 2: Last Day of Classes

Monday-Friday, May 5-9: Final Examination Week

Saturday, May 10: Commencement

Monday, May 12: Final Grades Due

Health Sciences

Friday May 9: Last Day of Classes

Monday-Friday, May 12-16: Final Examination Week

Monday, May 12: Commencement

Monday, May 19: Final Grades Due

FACULTY & STAFF

CPIA

Dave Benjamin, associate professor of global development, has been appointed the Human Rights Chair for the International Studies Association conference to be held next February in New Orleans. He will oversee some 50 panels.

Chunjuan Nancy Wei, associate professor and chair of the IPED program, has been awarded a Fulbright research fellowship for Taiwan and China during the spring and summer of 2015. Dr. Wei will conduct her research at the Institute of Public Affairs Management at Transworld University in Taiwan.

ENGINEERING

Sarosh Patel '14 and **Lawrence V. Hmurcik**, professor of electrical engineering, recently published an article in *Electrical Construction and Maintenance Magazine* detailing an accident caused by an electrician who was hasty in work done for a customer. He was crippled by the accident and sued the customer for the electrical dangers in the premises. Patel-Hmurcik and a host of other experts argued the scientific and safety protocols for five years. Finally, the New York State Supreme Court granted the electrician a \$1 million settlement.

New Nursing Program

On Monday, April 21, the University of Bridgeport and Bridgeport Hospital signed an agreement to plan the integration of the nursing program at the Bridgeport Hospital School of Nursing with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree from UB. Effective immediately, an interim agreement provides a Pathway to Nursing, giving UB students priority admission to the diploma program at Bridgeport Hospital's School of Nursing.

"We believe that the integration of our two programs will strengthen what Bridgeport Hospital and UB can do for nursing education on their own," said MaryEllen Hope Kosturko, chief nursing officer at Bridgeport Hospital. "The result will be a nursing workforce that is better equipped to meet the more demanding academic and clinical requirements of the profession." The recent Institute of Medicine report recommended that 80 percent of the nursing workforce obtain a bachelor's degree in nursing by the year 2020.

Did we miss something? *UB Highlights* is published twice monthly during the academic year and monthly in January, June, and July to inform the University community about UB events and achievements. To comment or to list your event or award, e-mail Rebecca Salonen, UBHighlights@bridgeport.edu, or call x4988.